RECOMMENDATIONS

UNIVERSITY STAFF (includes academic support staff)

1. Organise a meeting with international students and their supervisor prior to work placement, as well as post-placement sessions with university staff.
2. Encourage international students to gain experience in new cultural and professional contexts through volunteering.
3. Include a range of teaching and learning activities such as role plays, videos and critical reflection to assist international students’ understanding of Australian work place contexts.
4. Create a community of learners through multimedia to encourage communication during work placement.
5. Share responsibility of feedback and assessment to allow a fuller understanding of the student’s progress.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

1. Know and use the range of support services available at your university for international students.
2. Learn about and experience new cultural and professional contexts through volunteering.
3. Be involved in any university learning activities that will assist you to reflect and understand Australian work place contexts.
4. Participate in a community of learners by sharing your expertise, cultural knowledge and skill sets with the university, work place and your peers.
5. Regularly seek your supervisor’s feedback on your performance and ensure you understand and can implement this advice.

WORK PLACE SUPERVISOR

1. Create a welcoming work place environment including a student work space, clear expectations and open lines of communication.
2. Embrace and utilise international students’ unique cultural knowledge and experience in your work place.
3. Include a diverse range of communication techniques to explain key concepts about the work place context.
4. Encourage international students to become involved in the wider work place community.
5. Provide international students regular feedback and demonstrate strategies for improvement and check for understanding.